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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

CELEBRATING OUR 125TH YEAR

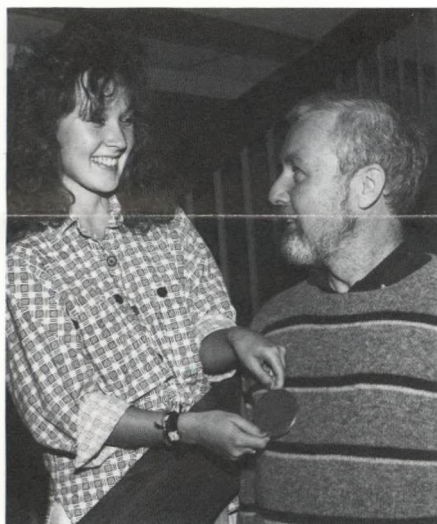
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founded by the
Brothers of the Christian Schools
in 1863

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Christine Stankard '88 confers on her father, the world famous glass artist, Paul Stankard, "The Proud La Salle Parent" button. His exhibit, "Nature Translated in Glass", was one of the highlights of the recent Parents' Weekend.

Charter Week Events Planned For March 13-20

The University's Charter Week, March 13 to 20, will feature a Mass of Thanksgiving, various campus lectures, a student awards assembly, a symphonic concert and the dedication of the new Library.

The week's festivities will begin on March 13 at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 2:30 P.M. The principal celebrant will be John Cardinal Krol, Archbishop of Philadelphia. He will be assisted by priest alumni of La Salle. A campus reception will follow at 4:30.

The Curtis Institute Symphony Orchestra will present a concert on Friday, March 18 in the Dan Rodden Theater on campus at 8:00 P.M. The actual 125th anniversary occurs on Sunday, March 20,

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Fourth Annual Parents' Weekend Considered Best Yet

"A great weekend—much better timing than in November—thanks for listening to our suggestions." "La Salle is tops in our book. The organization, variety of events, and friendliness of all concerned at Parents' Weekend made it super." Those were just a few of the positive responses written by parents concerning this year's parents' weekend on October 17 and 18.

La Salle's fourth annual Parents' Weekend attracted well over 600 participants. The day began with lunch and was followed by the "Conversation with the President" in which Brother Patrick Ellis answered the concerns of La Salle's parents. Parents then attended two of a series of eleven "Dialogue with the Faculty." Some of the most popular lectures included: "La Salle: Then and Now" by Brother Thomas Warner, Archivist, Dr. Joseph Kane, Dean of Business Administration

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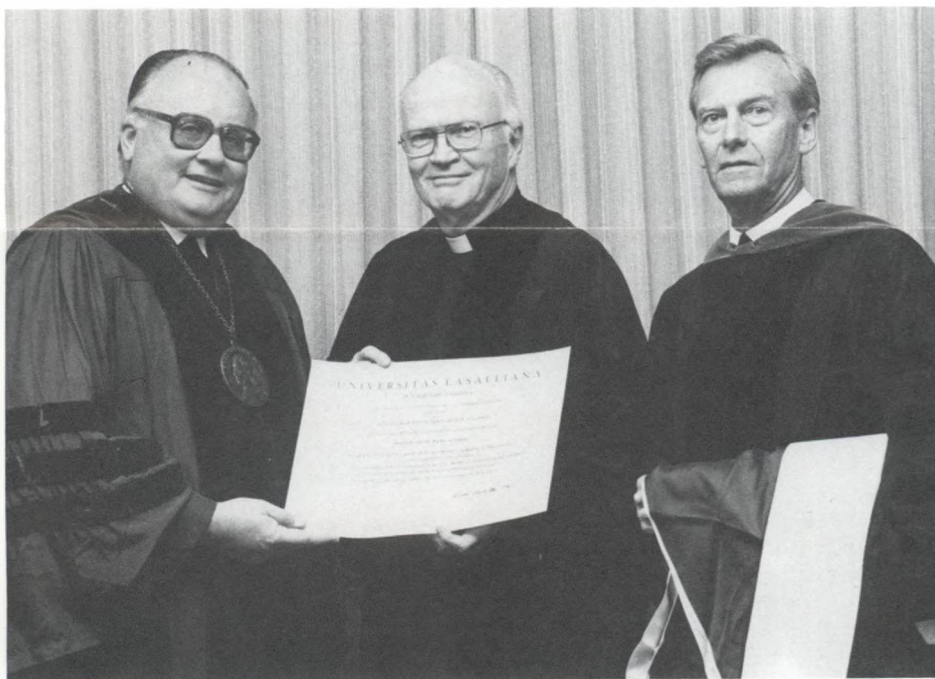
Residence Halls Planned for 1989

At their regular meeting on October 15, 1987, the University's Board of Trustees approved the administration's proposal to proceed with the design phase for additional housing. Tentatively, plans call for the popular Town House apartments to accommodate some 400 resident students.

In recent years, an increasing lack of University housing has necessitated the adoption of such a plan. Presently, at the all time highest resident population, there are over 1,400 undergraduate day students housed on campus. This, then, is 40 percent of the entire student body. Over 60 percent of this year's freshman class are residents. There are an additional 35 students, who, because of the paucity of space on campus, are living in a wing of the Germantown School of Nursing.

University administrators are working on both the architectural as well as the financial package. The additional housing facilities are expected by September, 1989.

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The Reverend William J. Byron, S.J. (center) president of The Catholic University of America was honored as "a national leader in Catholic Higher Education" at the Fall Honors Convocation on October 25. He is congratulated by Brother Patrick Ellis, F.S.C., president (left) and Brother Emery Mollenhauer, F.S.C., provost, (right). Three hundred Dean's List students were also honored.

Thirty Nine Seniors Inducted to A.E.

Thirty-nine members of the Class of 1988 were inducted into the University's Alpha Epsilon Honor Society at a testimonial dinner on November 20th in the Union Ballroom.

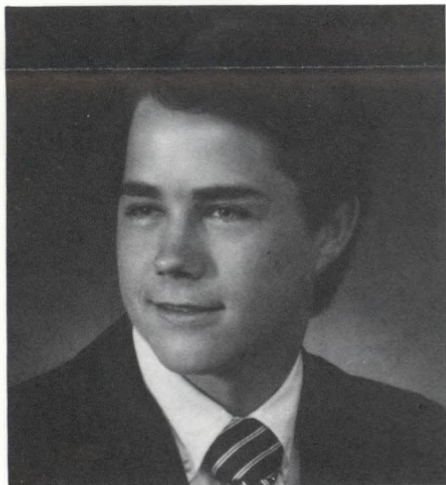
The Signum Fidei Medal was awarded to the internationally famous priest, Father Bruce Ritter, O.F.M. Conv. founder of New York City's Covenant House for the "run away" and the "throw away" teenagers of our society.

The "Signum Fidei" Medal derives its name from the motto of the Brothers of the Christian Schools—"Sign of Faith." It is given to recognize personal achievements in harmony with the established aims of La Salle University and the objectives of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. It is awarded annually to a person who has made "most noteworthy contributions to the advancement of humanitarian principles in keeping with the Christian Judeo tradition."

The Alpha Epsilon Alumni Honor Society was instituted at La Salle University in 1936 to recognize "high scholarship in the pursuit of a Christian and liberal education together with the exceptional but unrewarded participation in the extra-curricular life of the University."

Alpha Epsilon's newest members are: Thomas E. Bates, Dawn C. Bormuth, Wade A. Brosius, Carmella Ann Brown, Patricia A. Carr, Matthew F. Costello, Heidi Beth Cooperstein, Jeffrey P. Denton, Monica Ann DiCarlo, Mary Elaine Egan, Diana F. Fala, Vincent L. Gaffney, Christina Giansiracusa, Maureen T. Gimpel, Marita E. Green, Michelle M. Kelly.

Kim D. Killian, Elizabeth M. Lamond, Lee Manin, Linda A. Martin, David P. McShane, Joseph M. Menna, Michael C. Moore, Luci S. Patalano, Tanya M. Perfecky, Carolyn A. Piccone.



Vincent L. Gaffney, Senior Class Gift Chair, is from Chevy Chase, Maryland. He is president of St. Thomas More Law Society, Vice President of Residence Council, Senator of S.G.A. and a member of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. He plans to attend Law School next year.

Richard D. Quattrone, Paul R. Reed, Maureen L. Ryan, Matthew J. Schwen-derman, Sarah A. Selvaggi, Christine M. Springer.

Suzanne M. Springman, Margaret M. Stephan, Susan K. Straub, Michele T. Tedeschi, Peter Z. Tedeschi, Judi P. Walsh, Noreen D. Whipple.

Seniors Launch Campaign

As seniors approach graduation, they begin to think about "life after La Salle"—graduate school, the military, family life and the work force. A group of thirteen seniors are also thinking about La Salle and the fine education they received here. Vince Gaffney, chairman, and the twelve members of the steering committee for the Senior Class Gift Program have been working hard in planning a fundraising campaign to provide La Salle with a gift, "a missing piece to the future"—the seniors' campaign theme.



The Senior Class '88 Gift, "The Walking Madonna" by Dame Elizabeth Frink, is currently housed in the La Salle Art Museum, awaiting its permanent placement on campus.

The seniors have set their goal at \$25,000 to be spread over a five year period. "The goal can be reached and even topped if each Senior pledges \$125 and makes that first payment of \$10 this year. We are confident we can do it," comments Chairman Vince Gaffney.

The Senior Gift Committee has selected an outdoor sculpture for the class gift. The sculpture, "The Walking Madonna" by Dame Elizabeth Frink, has already been acquired by La Salle, yet payment for the attendant costs was being sought. To the delight of the La Salle Community, the seniors decided to fund the sculpture for their class gift.

At the end of the fall semester, each senior will receive a brochure explaining the

campaign and the chosen gift. The drive will officially begin on January 26, 1988 when a group of seniors known as pledge captains will solicit each senior for a pledge and a gift. Seniors who are not reached personally will be contacted by mail or phone. After each senior makes his/her first payment of \$10, they will receive a specially designed Senior '88 T-shirt.

Gaffney continues: "The Senior Class Gift Program is more than raising support for our class gift; it is a way to bring the Class of 1988 closer together." Other activities have been developed to unite the class. Two senior functions were held at Backstage, La Salle's nightclub, during this past semester. Other activities will be announced in the Spring.

Campaign For The 80's Tops Eighty Percent

Through the generosity of our many friends, alumni, parents, corporate and foundation donors and other constituencies, as of June 30, 1987, total gifts, grants and pledges to Phase II of the Campaign for the 80's exceeded \$12.6 million, approximately 82% of the revised goal we hope to achieve by December 31, 1988.

In conjunction with the extraordinary \$11 million commitment for the construction of the new library by La Salle's principal benefactor, total extramural support for the University since July 1, 1984 now exceeds \$23.6 million.

pages from the past

Brother Thomas Warner, F.S.C.
Director of the Archives

As we approach the 125th anniversary of La Salle University, it might be well to outline the early chronology.

In September, 1858 the Christian Brothers began teaching at Saint Michael's Parish School at 1429 North Second Street. Later in September, 1862, the Academy or high school level classes were started in the basement of Saint Michael's.

The Academy classes are moved to 1419 North Second Street in November, 1862. The official title of the new operation was "Saint Mary's Academy," but was more commonly designated as the "Christian Brothers' Academy."

The Charter was granted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the incorporators of La Salle College on March 20, 1863. Then on August 12, 1867, the Academy and College classes were moved to a location at Filbert and Juniper Streets, adjacent to the Masonic Temple. The Brothers' Community at the new location was referred to in official documents as "Saint Mary's Community" and the school as "La Salle College."

On December 20, 1869, the name of the Brothers' Community was changed to "La Salle College Community."

Chaircouple Named; Parents Goal Set

The new chaircouple of the Parents' Association is Mr. and Mrs. James P. Ryan of Darien, Connecticut. They succeed Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Duszak who served in that role from 1985 to 1987.

Jim Ryan is a self employed Real Estate consultant while his wife, Mary, is a staff member of the Diocese of Bridgeport's Catholic Charities Office. Both were members of last year's Parents' Committee. They have two sons: J. Patrick, a sophomore and Timothy, a junior at Fairfield Prep.



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Jim and Mary Ryan, Chaircouple

The 1987-1988 goal for the Parents' Program has been set by the Parents' Committee for \$50,000. In announcing the goal, Jim and Mary Ryan, chaircouple said, "This represents a 25% increase over last year's record-setting total (nearly \$40,000), but we believe that this is within our grasp and is quite appropriate for the University as it celebrates this important anniversary."

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At their Fall meeting, the 1987-88 Parents' Committee gather for a group photo. Seated, left to right: Lillian Frisko, Marie McCloskey, Mary Ryan, Kathy Connor, Sheila Bryan, Donna Merson, Barbara Nuzzolo. Standing: Celeste Schafer, Peter Frisko, Tony McCloskey, Jim Ryan, Bob Bryan, Don Merson, Bob Shaefer, Joe and Shirley Gindhart. Not pictured: Aurelia and Joe Braun, Diana and Phil Weaverling.

around campus

The current **enrollment** is 6,740: Day Division - 3,453; Evening Division - 3,142. Graduate program numbers: M.B.A. - 823; M.S. in Management - 46; Nursing - 44; Education - 59; Pastoral Counseling - 54; Ministerial - 43; Human Services - 9; and Bilingual/Bicultural (Spanish) - 67...New **pennants** presently adorn the campus boulevard in celebrating La Salle's 125th anniversary...Five graduates were **ordained priests** this year: 2 for Philadelphia, 1 for Camden, 1 Carmelite and 1 Maryknoller...The 1987 Hall of Athletes inductees were **Kathy McGahey '82**, field hockey and softball and **John Uelses '65**, track and field...

The University is now offering a course in the **Japanese language**. Brother **Emery Mollenhauer**, Provost, gave a

presentation on "The Ideal Evaluator" and chaired workshops and sessions of the Middle States Association workshop for new college and university evaluation team members...A new promotional ten minute **video** on life at La Salle University is now a reality...A La Salle **official license plate** for Pennsylvania residents is being created for alumni, staff and students. When 500 orders are received, the state will begin production of license plates with La Salle's name and logo at a one-time \$25.00 surcharge covering the cost of the special vanity plate. Brochures will be mailed after Christmas from the Office of Government Affairs.

Christian Brother Beatified by Pope John Paul II

Rome—Pope John Paul II presided at the beatification of Brother Arnold Reche, F.S.C., a French member of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, on Sunday, Nov. 1.

Brother Arnold, who was baptized Jules-Nicholas Reche on the day of his birth, September 12, 1838, entered the Institute of the Christian Brothers on Dec. 23, 1862.

Brother Arnold taught for 14 years at the boarding school of the Brothers in Reims and served as director of novices for another 14 years before his death in 1890 at the age of 52.

Like his confrere and countryman, St. Brother Benilde Romancon, who died in 1862 and was canonized in 1967, Brother Arnold achieved holiness by a great spirit of prayer and generous service to others as a teacher and administrator.

A biography of Brother Arnold has been written by Brother Luke Salm, F.S.C., and may be obtained from Christian Brothers Publications, Romeville, Illinois 60441.



Photo by Ron Anzalone

Groundbreaking ceremony for the new all-weather track on the McCarthy Stadium took place as part of the recent Alumni Homecoming '87. Pictured here: (left to right) Al Cantello, '55, head coach of cross country and track, U.S. Naval Academy; Bill Wetzler, son of the late veteran head coach of La Salle's Cross country and track, Frank Wetzler; and Jim Tuppeny '50, former director of the Penn Relays, now director of athletics for the Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau. Expected completion is set for May, 1988.

••• sports scene •••

Frank Bertucci

Sports Information Director

It has never happened before, but John Scwab '89 finally did it! The All-American from Lansdale (Pa.) Catholic High, was the individual champion at the annual Big Five Corss Country Championships on October 17. His winning time was 26:06 for the five-mile Belmont Plateau course just four seconds short of breaking that La Salle University record.

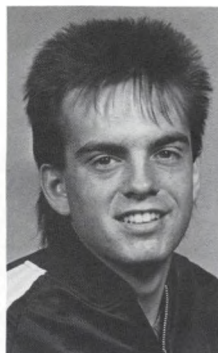
Not only did a La Salle runner finish first, but another Explorer, Bill Selgrath '89, Bishop McDevitt High, Wyncote, Pa., finished in second place—only nine seconds behind his teammate. It was an outstanding performance by the pair—perhaps the best ever turned in by two La Salle cross country performers in the same meet.

In the team results of the Big Five meet, the Explorer men placed second; the women fourth, with Drea Schwind '89, Lansdale (Pa.) Catholic High, being the top finisher in seventh place.

In its first season as a varsity sport last year (0-8), the women's soccer team has a record of 9-8, with two games to play. Two freshmen from Archbishop Wood High School: Lisa McDermott of Hatboro, Pa., (15 goals), and Meg Cardie of Warminster, Pa. (11 goals), are leading the resurgence.

If they had won their three remaining games, the men's soccer team had a chance to tie for the Metro Atlantic Ath-

letic Conference title. Goalkeeper Paul Centrofanti '90, Council Rock High, Churchville, Pa., has been outstanding this season, along with Chris Vaughan '88, Father Judge High, Philadelphia, who is fully recovered from the knee injury which sidelined him for the past two seasons.



Photos by: Martha Ledger

John Scwab



Bill Selgrath

Cross Country/Track

Goalie Felice Fleisher '88, Northeast High, Philadelphia had 221 saves. Forwards Anne Richard '89, Notre Dame High, Stroudsburg, Pa., Terri Tipton '89, Sussex Central High, Seaford, Del. and Tracey Edwards '91, Bishop Shanahan High, West Chester, Pa., were the leading scorers in field hockey (7-11-3).

The men's tennis team place third at the MAAC Championships in October, with the women's team in seventh place.

The Volleyball team was headed for the MAAC Championships in early November.

British Actors Visit Slated For Spring

The Concert and Lecture Series will sponsor a week-long residency by five actors from such distinguished British Theatre companies as the Royal Shakespeare Company and the National Theatre. The residency will be from Monday, February 15, through Saturday, February 20, 1988. During the week, the actors will visit classes, give workshops, and visit informally with students and faculty. There will be three special evening performances, two of a five-actor version of Shakespeare's *A Mid-Summer Night's Dream* and one featuring selections from the plays and writings of George Bernard Shaw.

More details, including the dates of the evening performances, will appear in the Concert and Lecture Series brochure to be published in January. Anyone interested in receiving a copy of the brochure can send their name and address to Gerald J. Johnson, Administrative Assistant to the Provost, and he will include them on the mailing list.

La Salle's identification for radio announcements about cancellation of day classes because of inclement weather is 105.

Special Exhibitions

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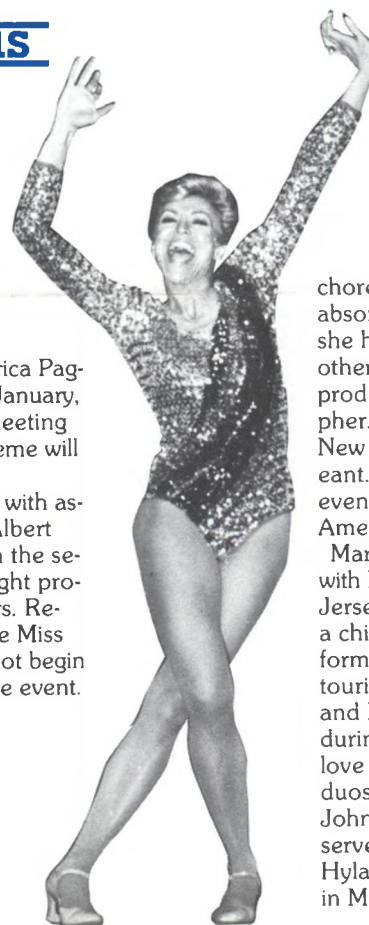
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parent focus

The Miss America Pageant is nearly a year away, yet for one distinguished La Salle parent, the preparation will begin shortly. Marcia Hyland, mother of La Salle junior, Dana, has been the choreographer for the famous Miss America Pageant for sixteen years. In January, she will attend the first meeting where both music and theme will be selected.

After the initial planning with associate choreographer, Albert Stevenson, she will begin the selection process for the eight professional Pageant dancers. Rehearsals with the fifty-one Miss America contestants do not begin until one week prior to the event. Therefore, the behind-the-scenes people like the talented and hard-working Marcia Hyland have to be extremely well prepared.



Since this annual September event is televised to the world from Atlantic City, the role of the choreographer is an important one. Although choreographing the Pageant absorbs much of her time, she has been involved with other programs such as being producer as well as Choreographer, since 1970 for the Miss New Jersey Scholarship Pageant. This is the preliminary event in New Jersey for the Miss America Contest.

Marcia Manning Hyland lives with her family in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. She began her career as a child dancer and later performed as a teenager before touring with the Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gorme show. It was during that time that she fell in love and married the popular duos drummer, her husband, John. Together, since 1961, they serve as directors of the Marcia Hyland Dance and Arts Center in Mount Laurel, New Jersey.

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Fourth Parents Weekend

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and Brother James Muldoon, Dean of Arts and Sciences; "The Electronic La Salle Student" by Dr. Kathryn Szabat, Management Department; and "What's Catholic about Catholic Colleges and Universities?" by Dr. David Efroymson, Religion Department.

Other parents opted for tours of campus facilities—the Belfield Estate, the Art Museum, and especially the Japanese Tea

Ceremony House. An art exhibit entitled "Nature Translated in Glass" by one of La Salle's parents, Paul Stankard, was also available for parents to enjoy.

The Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy was celebrated in De La Salle Chapel by Father David A. Grover '77 of Holy Rosary Church, Cherry Hill, N.J. Following Mass, parents and their children attended the "President's Dinner" where they were entertained with a fine performance by the Explorers Jazz Band. The day's events cul-

minated with a concert by The Philadelphia Boys Choir and Chorale. The Choir's finale was dedicated to La Salle in appreciation for the use of campus facilities for the Choir's rehearsals over the past ten years.

On Sunday, the first Parents'-Student Sport Day took place. Parents and students participated in tennis, swimming, volleyball and basketball. Other parents toured the athletic facilities in Haymen Hall and attended the Sunday brunch.

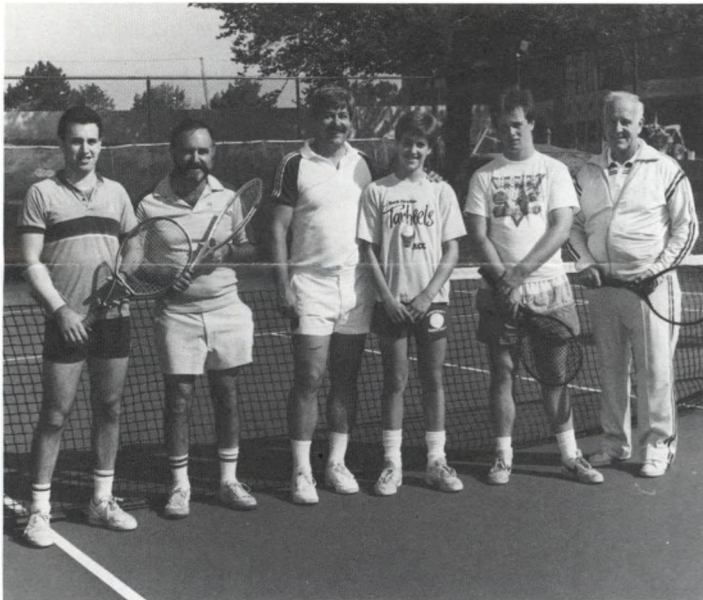


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Ed Bobrin '90, Yale Bobrin, Max Sewald, Brian Sewald, Robert Babb Jr., '88, and Robert Babb, Sr. break from their father-son tennis games during Sunday's Parent/Student Sport Day.

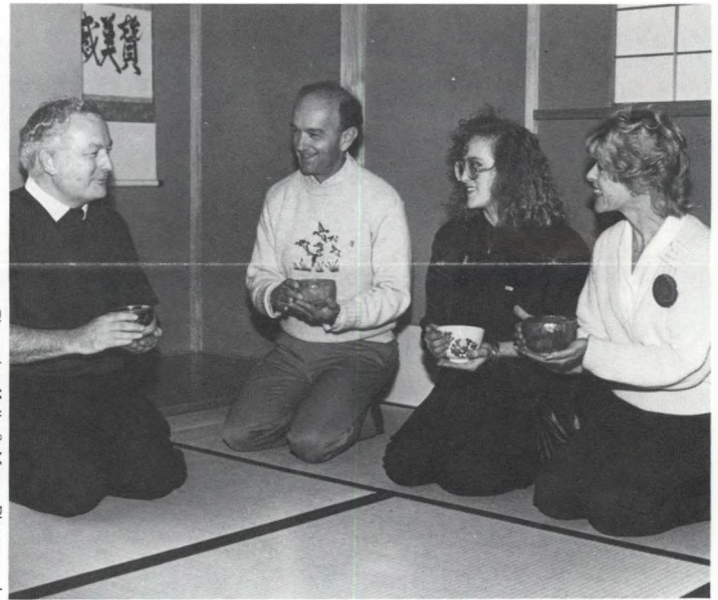


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Brother Joseph Keenan, F.S.C., demonstrates the Japanese tea ceremony to Susan Angelisanti '89 and her parents, Mary Alice and Dennis Angelisanti '64.

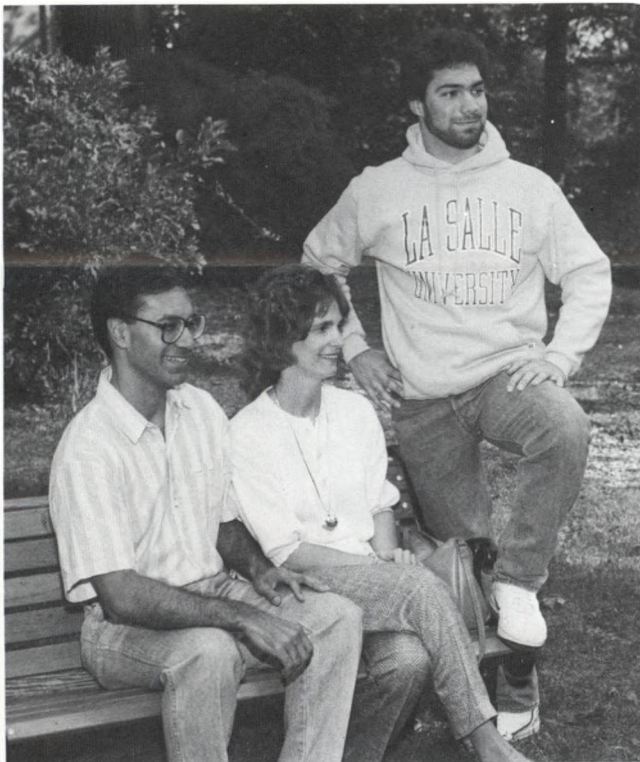


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Jeffrey Gabriel, '91, and his parents Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Gabriel take a break from their busy Parents' Weekend schedule at Belfield.



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Professor Eugene Fitzgerald, discusses "Art: Illusion and Contradiction" during Dialogue with the Faculty in the Art Museum.

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Charter Week

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1988. It was on that day in 1863 that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania chartered La Salle as an institution of higher learning empowered to grant college degrees. Fittingly, the charter week's festivities will close with the dedication of the new Library.

A listing of activities complete with ticket information, will be mailed to all parents in late January.



And so Joseph went from the town of Nazareth to David's town of Bethlehem

The PARENTS' NEWSLETTER sponsored by the Office of Development, is published twice each academic year. It is mailed to parents of undergraduate Day students as well as the parents of the Class of 1987. Its goal is to keep parents better informed and more closely in touch with the University. **The Editor and Staff welcome any suggestions or ideas regarding this publication.**

Editor...Brother Charles Gresh, F.S.C.
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Rest in Peace

James M. Asman
father of Thomas '88

Robert Clemens
brother of Lynn '88

Susan Dawson '91

John F. Kelly
father of Brian '89

Charles "Chip" McKeaney '90

Chaircouple Named

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The Parents' Program is important not only because of the dollars raised, but also because participation by parents clearly demonstrates "Consumer satisfaction." When La Salle request financial support from foundations and corporations, the University is often asked about the Annual Fund gifts from parents. Last year, more parents than ever before demonstrated their satisfaction with the quality of the La Salle experience.



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During Parents' Weekend, the newly completed exterior of the Library attracted many families. Gathered here are: (left to right) Rick Sipe, '91, Cathy Sipe, Larry Hollis, Lori McCliment and Jennifer Sipe.